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SUBJECT: UNMEMBERSHIP FOR SOUTH VIETNAM

- 1. MAURITANIAN FOREIGN MINISTER MOUKNASS TOOK OCCASION OF MEETING JUNE 13 ON UNRELATED TOPIC TO RAISE QUESTION OF UN MEMBERSHIP FOR NEW GOVERNMENT OF SOUTH VIET NAM. MOUKNASS REPORTED SOUTH VIET NAMESE HAD REQUESTED GIRM TO INTERCEDE WITH USG TO GIQUQIT US TO ADOPT "UNDERSTANDING" POSTURE QQN SVN OEMBERSHIP IN UN WHEN NEW COMMUNIST GOVERNMENT PRESENTS ITS CANDIDACY THIS FALL. IMPLICATION WAS SVN HOPED FOR US NEUTRALITY, UNDERSTANBLUG THAT IT COULD NOT REALISTICALLY EXPECT ACTIVE US APPROVAL OR SPONSHORHIP AT THIS EARLY JUNCTURE.
- 2. IN ANSWER TO OY QUERY, MOUKNASS SAID THERE WOULD BE TWO VIET NAMESE CANDIDACIES FOR UN MEMBERSHIP NOT ONE FORA SINGLE UNIFIED STATE. HE DECLARED NEW VIET NAMES AUTHORITIES RECOGNIZE WIDEDIFFERENCES WHICH EXIST BETWEEN, SOUTH AND NORTH AND AS COSEQUENCE INTEND TO RETAIN TWO "INTERNATIONAL PERSONALITIES" FOR OOMENT. ACCORDING TO MINISTER, THEY ALSO INTEND, HOWEVER, TO WORK TOWARD AND ESTABLISH SOME CONFIDENTIAL

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SORT OF CONFEDERATION WHICH WILL HAVE A SINGEL, UNIFIED

POLICY OF NON-ALIGNMENT. EVENTUALLY THIS CONFEDERATION MAY DEVELOP INTO SOME SORT OF CLOSER RELATIONSHIP.

3. IN RESPONSE, I OBSERVED STATUS AND FUTURE OF VIET NAM
ARE COMPLICATED ISSUES WHICH REQUIRE DETAILED AND SPECIALIZED
KNOWLEDGE; SINCE I WAS NOT AN EXPERT, I COULD NOT MAKE
APH COMMENT ON SUBSTANCE OF SOUTH VIET NAMESE INDIRECT
APPROACH. I ASSURED MINPEER, HOWEVER, I WOULD REPORT
MESSAGE HE CONVEYED TO USG.HANDYSIDE

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